

# US Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM) Julia Taft Fund for Refugees FY 2017

The US Embassy in Addis Ababa, under the auspices of the Office of the Regional Refugee Coordinator and the Community Grants Program Office, is pleased to announce the availability of a funding opportunity through the **2017 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees**.

#### What is the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees?

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees (also known as the Ambassador's Refugee Fund) is an initiative by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM) to respond to critical unmet needs of refugees. Created in 2000, the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees supports projects that fill gaps in refugee services not already being addressed by other organizations and that can be filled locally. Successful projects are those that are not being addressed by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), other international organizations, or non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that are already receiving USG funding.

## What types of projects in Ethiopia have been funded through the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees in the past?

Past grant recipients have implemented projects renovating facilities for the reception of children and adolescent refugees first arriving in Ethiopia; developing livelihoods and protecting the environment among pastoralist refugees; and constructing a multipurpose women's center for counseling, training, and community activities.

### **Program Focus of the 2017 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees**

This year the Taft fund is open for service providers to propose a project that could best serve refugees. While the call for proposals is open for projects in all refugee hosting regions, including urban settings, we especially encourage applications for projects in the Afar and Benishangul-Gumuz regions.

#### Who is Eligible to apply?

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is limited to registered non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with at least 1-2 years of experience working in Ethiopia. Note that the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is meant to cover a one-time need and will not support a program for more than one year.

**How can an organization apply for funding?** NGOs are invited to submit a brief description of their proposed projects by **April 30, 2017** via email or through the post. Please send completed applications to:

Community Grants Program Office U.S. Embassy P.O. Box 1014, Addis Ababa

Tel. (Office): 0111-30-65-33 / 0111-30-61-52

Fax: 0111-24-24-31

E-mail: AddisCommunityGrants@state.gov

#### Please note the following guidelines when preparing proposals:

Project budgets cannot exceed \$25,000 USD,

Project descriptions **are due by April 30, 2017**, should be no longer than three-pages in length and should include the following:

- Name of organization
- Point of contact information
- Project title
- Project location
- The refugee population to be served
- Number of direct project beneficiaries
- Statement of need (max. 200 words)
- Project description (how the project will be carried out—max 300 words)
- Project Budget (major expenditures only) including the amount that your organization will be contributing toward the project.
- Code of Conduct

NGOs that have been approved for funding will be required to submit a copy of their code of conduct, which must be consistent with the UN's Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) recommendations on the prevention of sexual abuse and exploitation.

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